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NORWAY, ME.  
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DENTIST,  
SOUTH PARIS, ME.  
Office over Savings Bank. All work Warranted.

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Physician and Surgeon,  
NORWAY, ME.  
Office and residence in Hathaway Block, over  
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Physician and Surgeon,  
SOUTH PARIS, ME.

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(Successor to Dr. T. S. Turner)  
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OFFICE at residence on Main St., Office hours  
from 10 a.m. to 12 m. and from 7 to 9 p.m.

NORWAY SAVINGS BANK,  
Main Street, Norway, Me.  
Money loaned on good security, at reasonable  
rates. Deposits, Loans, Etc. H. M. BRADCOCK, Treasurer.

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New Hair Dressing Room,  
Clean Shave and Stylish Cut.  
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GET YOUR MILK DAILY  
—OR—  
Benjamin Tucker's  
MILK CART!

Good Milk and Honest Measure. If  
in want of milk, speak to H. C. Tucker.

ELM HOUSE,  
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Good Stable connected with the house.

MONUMENTAL WORK  
JOHN A. BOLSTER & SON,  
Lynn Street, Near Shoe Factory,  
Norway, Me.

We have the largest line of  
Marble Cemetery Work!  
Ever in town, all ready to take and set.  
Call and examine.

B. F. Hibbard,  
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Orders left at  
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Good Dry Wood  
OF ALL KINDS,  
Cheap for Cash!

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FULL AND COMPLETE LINE OF

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Broadcloth, Velvet & Uprate Trimmed.  
All the Latest and Best Patterns.

BURIAL OUTFIT, Etc.  
Sold at the Lowest Prices. When in  
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JAMES GRANT,  
Painter of Carriages, Sleighs  
WAGONS, ETC.

All work done as it should be, and at reasonable  
prices. Over 1000 Carriages, Sleighs, Wagons,  
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house conveyed to and from the depot, free.

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Choice  
Groceries,  
AT LOWEST PRICES.

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and Oysters served. Also  
all goods usually found at a first-class Bakery.

Call—Next Store to Academy.

Buy Your  
DOORS, WINDOWS, BLINDS  
Mouldings,  
Stair Rail, Balusters, Newels,  
ASH & PINE SHEATHING,  
WINDOW AND DOOR FRAMES,  
BRACKETS, PICKETS, ETC.,

S. P. MAXIM & SON,  
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Low Prices.  
N. B.—Every description of House Finish  
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Passengers conveyed to adjoining  
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OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.  
Granite or Marble

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Also, BOOT & SHOE REPAIRING. Shop in the  
rear of brick block, opposite Post Office, Nor-  
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Best, Lamb, Pork, Veal, Sausages and Vegetables  
cut up on hand and sold at the  
Lowest Prices,  
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SHOP ON BRIDGE STREET,  
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Established in 1841 by H. H. HAY & CO.

H. H. HAY & SON,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN  
Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals,  
PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES, ETC.,  
256, 258, 262 Middle, June Free Sts.,  
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Orders by mail and Express receive  
prompt attention. Correspondence solicited  
from Dealers and others.

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## GILBERT'S LATEST.

Dr. Gilbert's new comic opera, "The Princess  
and the Pea," is now being sung by Gama, the  
foot and a hunchback!

SONG.  
If you give me your attention, I will tell you  
what I am!

I'm a genuine philanthropist—all other kinds  
are sham.

Each little fault of temper and each social  
defect

In my fellow creatures I endeavor to  
correct.

To all their little weaknesses I open people's  
eyes.

And little plans to smother the self-sufficient I  
devise.

I love my fellow-creatures, I do all the good  
I can.

Yet everybody says I'm such a disagreeable  
man!

And I can't think why!

To compliments inflated I've a withering  
reply.

And vanity I always do my best to mortify—  
A charitable action I can skillfully dissect.

And interested motives I'm delighted to  
detect.

I know everybody's income and what every-  
body earns.

And I carefully compare it with the income-  
tax returns!

But to benefit humanity, however much I  
plan.

Yet everybody says I'm such a disagreeable  
man!

And I can't think why!

I'm sure I'm no ass, and I'm as pleasant as  
can be.

I've always had me ready with a crushing  
repartee.

I've an irritating chronic, I've a celebrated  
sneeze.

I've an entertaining snigger, I've a fascinating  
leer.

To everybody's prejudice I know a thing or  
two.

I can tell a woman's age in half a minute—  
and I do.

But, although I try to make myself as pleasant  
as I can.

Yet everybody says I'm such a disagreeable  
man!

And I can't think why!

Small Debts.

Mr. Herriot was sitting in his office  
one day, when a lad entered and handed  
him a small slip of paper. It was a bill  
for five dollars, due to his shoemaker,  
a poor man who lived in the next  
square.

"Tell Mr. Grant that I will settle this  
soon," he said, "it is just convenient to-day."

The boy retired.

Now Mr. Herriot had a five-dollar bill  
in his pocket, but he felt as if he couldn't  
part with it—he didn't like to be entirely  
out of money. So, acting from this im-  
pulse, he had sent the boy away. Very  
still sat Mr. Herriot for the next five  
minutes; yet his thoughts were busy.

He was not altogether satisfied with him-  
self. The shoemaker was a poor man  
and needed his money as soon as earned  
—he was not unkind of this fact.

"I almost wish I had sent him the five  
dollars," said Mr. Herriot, at length,  
half audibly. "He wants it worse than  
I do."

He mused still further.

"The fact is," he said at length, exclaiming,  
starting up, "it's Grant's money, not  
mine, and what is more, he shall have  
it."

So saying, Herriot took up his hat and  
left the office.

"Did you get the money, Charles?"  
said Grant, as his boy entered the shop.  
There was a good deal of earnestness in  
the shoemaker's tone.

"No, sir," replied the lad.

"Didn't he get the money?"

"No, sir."

"Wasn't Mr. Herriot in?"

"Yes, sir; but he said it wasn't con-  
venient to-day."

## HIS FIRST SHAVE.

THE FIRST TIME A YOUNG MAN EN-  
TERS A BARBER'S SHOP.

His feelings at the time, and the Experi-  
ence he Goes Through Before Coming  
Out.

[From the Milwaukee Sun.]

Some writer has given the following  
description of "the first shave."

"The first time a barber's shop is an  
event of importance in every young  
man's life. He will wait, in some cases,  
three weeks after determining to do it,  
and on the eventful day he has been  
convinced to sneak by the shop seventeen  
times, summing up his courage for this  
trying ordeal.

On entering the door he feels that every one in the room knows  
that this is his first appearance, and  
that they are microscopically searching  
for his beard.

The barber gives him the following  
hard look when notifying him that it is  
his turn. But he is determined to  
put on a stiff upper lip, as worldly  
people say, and go through the opera-  
tion with the stoicism of a veteran.

He is remarkably sensitive to ridicule, and  
not for the world would he have the  
barber know that this was his first shave.

So he sits on the arm of the chair, in-  
stead of on the seat, and in getting  
down lies too far back. When told to  
bring up his head, he hastily does it,  
and knocks over the stool in the opera-  
tion.

This causes the barber to rush to his  
face, and the embarrassment which  
produces is not at all modified by de-  
flecting the barber exchanging significant  
glances with the operator at the next  
chair.

When the latter is being put on,  
he cannot control the working of his  
imagination, and he finds himself pos-  
sessed of an irresistible desire to smile  
sleepily. This proneness to grin is  
incurable, but it is impossible for him  
to keep his face so, and the victim is obliged  
to resort to every facial artifice to over-  
come it, and then doesn't succeed."

The above is true to nature, but it is  
not nature enough. The writer should  
have gone on to state how the young  
fellow feels about six months before  
he gets up courage to go to a barber  
shop, and how he looks at that cate-  
pillar-looking, monkey-completed stuff  
on his upper lip. He sees the fellow on  
his face before anybody else does, and he  
wonders that all the world is not on to  
it. He goes closer to his girl, on the  
way home from school, hoping she will  
see it, and if she does, and speaks of it,  
before he has called her attention to the  
phenomenon, he is very happy, and  
votes her one of the most discerning  
women in the world, and he resolves to  
make her his wife, if he lives.

After his girl has spoken of his hair on his lip,  
the boy feels better, and when he goes  
into the presence of grown people, he  
expects they will at once stop all con-  
versation and call attention to his lip,  
and when they go on talking about  
something else, he feels hurt, and when  
some one tells him to go to the door and  
let the dog in, or bring in some wood,  
he feels crushed, and thinks some re-  
marks should be addressed to children,  
and not to men who have hair on their  
lips.

From the time a boy first notices the  
dew on his upper lip, to the time the  
moustache is unmistakable, which is  
about a year and a half, he is miserable.

He does not go to a barber at first, but  
confides in his father, if he has one, and  
the father finally gets up his razor and  
shaves the boy's upper lip, for a joke,  
partly because he was a boy once on his  
lip, and partly because he wanted to put  
the boy's hair better, and when he goes  
into the presence of grown people, he  
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He is not a boy, but a man, who, some  
months before, had become involved in  
trouble with an evil disposed person,  
and been forced to defend himself by  
means of the law. He had employed  
Mr. Herriot to do what was required in  
the case, for which service the charge  
was five dollars. The bill had been ren-  
dered a few days before, and the man,  
who was poor, felt very anxious to pay  
it. He had the money all made up to  
within a dollar. That dollar Mrs. Lee  
owed him, and she had promised to  
give it to him during this day. For  
hours he had waited, expecting her to  
come in, but now he was nearly given up.  
There was another little bill of  
three dollars which had been sent in to  
him, and he had just concluded to go  
and pay that, when Mrs. Lee called  
with the balance of the money, one  
dollar, which she had received from the  
shoemaker, Grant.

Half an hour later, and the pocket-  
book of Mr. Herriot was longer  
empty. His client had called and paid  
his bill. The five dollars had come  
back to him.—T. S. ARTHUR.

Tea versus Grog.

So good was the reputation of tea  
officially that great efforts were made  
in our Majesty's navy, about thirty  
years ago, to increase the consumption  
of it. The proffered extra allowance  
of tea was as compensation for a reduced  
allowance of grog. A few minutes after  
tea had been served, however, the grog  
was found to be more popular than  
tea. There was no forcing of its adop-  
tion, but unlimited persuasion was used  
in order that it might be voluntarily  
accepted. One captain told me that  
he had assembled his tars, and exhorted  
them, as eloquently as he knew how, to  
refuse the evil, and to choose the good  
of tea. He was very successful in his  
endeavors. When he had said his say, knowing  
that Jack's first feeling would be one of  
indignation, he said he would not ask  
for an answer then, but would receive it  
three days after, by which time they  
would have been able to think calmly  
over the proposal. At the end of three  
days the ship's company, choosing pur-  
posely to misunderstand the offer, in-  
timidated, through a deception, their  
gratitude for the choice which had been  
allowed them, and their determination  
to give up their present ration of tea,  
and to get a trifle more grog.

ALL PROMISE.—Speaking of breach  
of promise suits, the Kennebec  
Journal says: "It was not very many  
years since that a young lady, residing  
less than a hundred miles from Augusta,  
brought a breach of promise suit for  
damages against a quite wealthy gentle-  
man, who had been wooing her. She  
recovered \$5,000. This became the  
foundation of a large fortune. The lady  
had two brothers in ordinary circum-  
stances, who were employed by the day  
like thousands of other workmen. The  
brothers entered into business with the  
\$5,000 as capital. They were shrewd,  
and to-day are one of the wealthiest firms  
in the State, employing a large number  
of men."

Disasters at Sea.

The Cimbric, of the Hamburg-Ameri-  
can line, was run down and sunk off  
Borkum, by the British steamship Sul-  
phur. There were nearly 500 persons  
on board the Cimbric and all but eighty-  
four were lost.



This paper has a large circulation and more readers than any other paper published in Oxford County. Rates of advertising reasonable and made known on application.

### The County Champion on Rollers.

There have been a few who have entered their names to compete for the Advertiser Championship Medal. There should be a few more so as to make the contest interesting. The contestants are to decide under what rules they shall skate, and where and when the contest shall take place. The contest is open for any amateur skater of Oxford County. For full particulars, call at or address this office.

### District System.

Oxford, Feb. 12th, 1884.

Mr. Editor.—In a recent number of the Advertiser, I was pleased to see that you called the attention of your readers to the subject of abolishing the old school district system, and adopting the town system of schools, stating, "I am sure, that much might be said in favor of the new system." Undoubtedly, the school district system was a creature of accident rather than of design. Originating, as it did, in the County of Oxford, its history, when the rudiments of our history, in the public schools, it subserved a better purpose than that it can serve now. Because the wants of the present age demand a more advanced course of studies in the common schools. Many of the more important and influential States of our country have abolished the school district system and adopted the town system. Penn. in 1852; Iowa in 1858; Ind., Ohio, Mass., and other States more recently. The experience of these and other States, in this regard, having tested the town plan of schools, for years, to their satisfaction, are not wishing to return to the district system, is not without good reason. These States have made steps forward in educational reform, as I conceive, Maine, also, is moving in the same direction, and a large number of towns in this State have abolished the district system and adopted the town system; eight towns last year. Among the districts mentioned in the prominent ones: The ungraded conditions of most of our schools and the unequal distribution of school privileges.

With reference to the first disadvantage, it is proper to say, we find in many of our rural districts, almost as many as in the town system, requiring the teacher to make frequent recitations daily, averaging from ten to fifteen minutes each. How can a teacher under this state of affairs as to recitations, so time his recitations that the program of recitations for one day, may become the order of recitations for subsequent days? It is, in fact, a teacher having no proper time to do thorough and complete work. The second disadvantage is, that all do not share equal school privileges. A man having \$5,000, in a neighborhood of ten schools, pays a tax as the man having \$5,000 in a neighborhood of fifty schools. Should not the former enjoy equal school privileges with the latter?

Some of the advantages of the town plan are these: 1. Equal school privileges, all the same length. 2. Equal school burdens, poor districts or neighborhoods being obliged to bear only their equal share of the expenses of building and repairing schools.

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WEDNESDAY EVE, FEB. 13th, 1884.

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